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In re application of

Applicant: Baron et al. :

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SOLUBLE EPIDERMAL GROWTH

FACTOR RECEPTOR-LIKE

PROTEINS AND THEIR USES

IN CANCER DETECTION METHODS

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania July 13, 2007

RESPONSE

On June 29, 2007, a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed regarding amendments to the claims. Each claim was not provided a proper status identifier.

Applicants previously made one very minor edit to claim 23, which did not include new matter, and canceled the rejected claims 9-17 leaving only the allowable claims 18-31 in consideration for allowance. Applicants have removed the claim text for the canceled claims 9-17 according to 37 CFR 1.121 hereby correcting the non-compliant amendment.

With this timely response, Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered and a notice of allowance for previously allowable claims 18-31.

Respectfully submitted,

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